

Certified teachers in South Dakota can receive a K-12 English As A New Language endorsement. The K-12 English as a new language education endorsement program requires 18 Semester hours of coursework. Twelve of the 18 semester hours will be offered through South Dakota State University. The other 6 semester hours are electives.

The Office of Educational Services and Support, through the federally-funded Title III English Language Acquisition Program, will reimburse undergraduate tuition for the 12 semester hours for the courses through South Dakota State University for up to 15 teachers each semester. Graduate credit is available; however reimbursement will only cover the cost of undergraduate tuition. Cost to participants will be books, Internet access and incidentals.

The courses are intended to assist educators who are seeking to acquire a “New Languages” endorsement as part of their teaching certificate. The course is appropriate for educators who teach English as a Second Language or who teach students from diverse linguistic backgrounds.

For more information on the English as A New Language Endorsement, go to <http://doe.sd.gov/oatq/teachercert/Changes/K12new.htm>.

For more information on courses reimbursed through the Title III English Language Acquisition Program, contact:

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